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THE STRANGER AND THE PRINCESS

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CHAPTER XI.

SHEEP AND WOLVES.

THOSE pistol shots were heard by three men who were walking slowly along a bypath which led from the main road through a well tilled farm that skirted the opposite side of the ravine from that on which the pursuit of Buckford had taken place. His wild ride had ended just too soon, for not more than a hundred yards farther there was a turn in the road and a bridge which would have carried him almost into the very presence of these men and within sight of the lighted windows of the large and comfortable farmhouse where they dwelt.

"Hark!" said one, an elderly appearing man of solid build and undoubted strength of arm. "Shots across the gorge! A cry! What do you make of that?"

"Something wrong, surely," replied a younger man, but one no less muscular.

They ran to the edge of the ravine and listened.

"Something crashing through the trees," said the elder. "A man or a horse has fallen. And hear the voices opposite! There seems quite a party of them."

The ravine was not wide, and the voices of the Frenchmen could be plainly heard.

"I am sure I shot the devil," Vandal was saying. "He fell at once."

"Well, he found a dire deep place to fall into," said Robello, with a laugh. "How are you ever going to be sure of the result of your shot?"

"Especially when we all fired together?" added Reber.

"Oh, as to that, it makes little difference who shot him. The thing is to get rid of him. We must find him and make certain there is no failure this time."

"What! Go down into that beasts' hole?" queried Robello.

"Go down! Of course. Do you think the fool will come up and tell us how hard he is hit?"

"Well," the elderly man across the ravine said to his companions, "it seems to be an uneven fight. Three against one, and the one down in the ditch. Come! Light your lantern, Debbisk, and we will join the search. If I mistake not, those fellows are Frenchmen. I trust few of those fellows. I can tell you."

What, therefore, was the surprise of Vandal and his companions to see a bright light not more than 40 feet away from him on the opposite side of the gulf.

"Ho, there!" came the voice of the farmer. "Who are you, and what do you want on my premises?"

"Your premises! Do you call a meat like this a premises?" laughed Vandal. "Well, then, to tell you the truth, we are three traveling gentlemen, and we want a thief. In fact, we want him very much."

"Oh, a thief! What sort of thief? From Prussia?"

"I know not whence he is. I know that at Ontro he robbed us."

"At Ontro?"

The farmers whispered together.

"Can it be Robard who has been held enough to rob these men and flee to our woods for shelter? No; Robard never did that."

"But he may not have thus intended. Perhaps he was on the way to the Green forest."

"Aye, perhaps. But, after all, how do we know these fellows speak the truth? If 'twere really the rascal Robard down there, I would say to them shoot again and make the shot a good one."

"True, we cannot be sure."

"As a matter of fact, the more I think of it the less I believe them. It seems more as if they were the thieves. This may have been a traveler who knew where we were and was trying to reach our place for shelter. Ontro is handy enough for robbers whether they be French or Prussian."

"True again," said the man with the lantern. "Let us join in the search."

So while Vandal and his two fellow travelers scrambled slowly down their side of the ravine the other three, accustomed to the spot, went more rapidly.

And these held still another advantage in the lantern, which aided them greatly in the descent and the subsequent search.

"And I say again, Volner," said the young man with the lantern, "this may be another plot against one we love. Is not the prince expected soon? His arrival has been unaccountably delayed. He was not at Trolle yesterday. Could he have come by way of Ontro, think you?"

"He might, he might," said the man called Volner. "He and his lovely princess and the sweet Princess Marie—ah, that Denesila should hold traitors to these three! But Casparin came yesterday from Berlin, he told me. He was at me again about the rent money. Heaven! How can I pay what he demands?"

"There is something mysterious lately about Casparin," said Debbisk. "Think you there is any foundation for sus—"

"Hush! You are speaking of the brother of the prince. Here! What have we here? A man, and a young one."

Vandal, Reber and Robello were still some few feet away as the lantern swung low over the white upturned face of Buckford Wallace, and the three agriculturists bent to examine the handsome features.

"My faith in God!" exclaimed Volner. "That young man looks not like a thief."

"Nevertheless such he is, and nothing else. In his pockets you will find nearly a thousand francs he stole from our room at the inn at Ontro."

"And did you know the fellow?" asked Debbisk.

"Know him! He is wanted just now by the Paris police. We had, in fact, journeyed from Paris to find him."

"Hush! Let me think," said Farmer Volner. "I am not sure of your truth, strangers. Men are often robbed at Ontro; it is a fact. But the robbers are not, as a rule, young and handsome fellows like this. Come. We will examine his wound, and if he is not dead we will take him to the house."

"For what?" demanded Vandal. "Does he not belong to us?"

"Not exactly," said Volner, with a laugh. "What is the wise rule of our beloved prince that time is settled. A chase, wounded even in the Green forest, if it occur on fiefs occupied ground, useless to the tenant or owner of that ground. Had this young man been a wild pig or a deer or a goose it would now belong to me. I shall apply the rule to this young man."

"I protest. He robbed us. We are French gentlemen! We claim him."

"Gentlemen, if he is dead you may have him. If he is but wounded, he shall have a chance to tell his story as his name is Volner."

"Volner! Your name Volner?"

"My name is Sestus Volner, at your service."

This information seemed to dispirit Vandal considerably.

Without noticing the effect of his name on the Frenchman, which, indeed, he could not see without a suspicious use of the lantern, Volner bent down and lifted the wounded man in his powerful arms.

"We will get him to the top, where we can examine him," he said.

To Volner that burden was as nothing. The lantern was carried by Debbisk in such a manner as to throw its gleams ahead. Volner led the way. Then came Debbisk and his partner, both employees of Volner.

Then followed the three discomfited Frenchmen, who had, by the unfortunate claim of Vandal that they had come from Paris to trace Buckford, lost the opportunity of posing as the invited guests of Casparin.

On the steep bank they halted. Volner, Buckford uttered a groan.

"Good!" said Debbisk. "He is not dead. Thank God for that!"

"Curse that American!" whispered Vandal to Reber. "He cannot be killed, it seems. If that fool gets him to his house and brings him back to consciousness, he will tell the whole story. Not only will the plot of our friend be defeated, but undoubtedly we shall be pursued and shot."

"Yes. Mon Dieu! Almost anything is better than that!" whispered Reber in affright.

"Then do you and Robello stand by me now! None of your cowardice. Stick to me like men now, and we will get the youngster away and finish him. Now, at the word, fire into the backs of those two fellows. After that the old man. One, two, three!"

Fortunately for Debbisk, Reber, the immortal blunderer, clicked his revolver a full minute before it was to be time to fire. Like a flash the two young farmers had turned, and two heavy clubs descended with terrific force on the skulls of Reber and Robello. Reber sank to the ground with a gasp, while Robello, less injured, staggered, felt his head and then fired at his assailant. At the same moment Vandal fired into the face of Debbisk.

"Murderers!" What is this?" roared Farmer Volner, dropping his groaning burden and springing to the fray.

He came in time to see, for Debbisk was lying on the ground, his companion was in the grasp of Robello and the recovered Reber, and Vandal was drawing a knife to spring upon him.

With a mighty bath the enraged farmer hurled his ponderous body on Vandal and sent him headlong to the bottom of the ravine. He then grabbed both Reber and Robello and cracked their heads together till the two skulls almost split from front to rear.

Hurling them from him, he quickly made sure his workman was not hurt mid-sworn lustily again.

"Can you manage Debbisk?" he asked. "We must get these two wounded ones to the house and come back for those rascals. Thief! I know who the thieves are now."

The two men struggled out of the ravine. Buckford was carried easily by Volner. Debbisk, however, who was a heavy man, was half dragged and half carried to his assistance.

In this way the party traversed a field, struck again into the farm path they had quit at the sound of the pis-

The farmer sent him headlong to the bottom of the ravine.

tols and hurried toward the lights that streamed from the windows of the house.

As this [illegible] Vandal [illegible] [illegible] was to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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Announcements.

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East Smethport, Dec. 7, 1901.

FOR CONSTABLE.

EDITOR MINER:—Please announce that I am a candidate for constable of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican primaries. BRADA STICKLES.
East Smethport, Dec. 10, 1901.

THE United States Senate ratified the Hay-Pauncefote Isthmian canal treaty on Monday by the decisive vote of 72 to 6.

SIR THOS. LIPTON'S racing yacht, Shamrock II, came near being burned up in a fire in a dry dock in Brooklyn last Thursday. The paint on her port side was badly blistered.

CHILI is once more preparing for war. That country passes a large part of its time either in war or in making arrangements for war. The countries of its vicinity have found it a rather disagreeable neighbor.

THE Kane Leader is devoting considerable space to Dr. Swallow at present, and holds him up to its readers as a saint. The Leader, like Dr. Swallow, may believe in temperance, as far as "booze" goes, but in words—never.

GEN. CHARLES MILLER of Franklin is spoken of as a possible candidate for Governor on the Republican ticket. Gen. Miller is a good man for the place and one who would poll a big vote irrespective of party or faction in this section of the State.

MAJOR ISAAC R. BROWN, Deputy Secretary of Internal Affairs, announces that he will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Secretary of Internal Affairs before the Republican state convention, which will meet in Harrisburg in the early summer or late spring.

A PRESS dispatch from Constantinople dated Dec. 17, says: W. W. Cook, treasurer of the Turkish mission to Constantinople, accompanied by Mr. Gargiulo Dragoman of the United States legation here, started to-night to meet the brigands who hold Miss Stone captive. In accordance with instructions received from Washington they will attempt to secure the release of the prisoner in exchange for the ransom money now available. It is reported here that Madame Tsilka's baby is still alive and well.

CHARLES EMORY SMITH of Philadelphia, has tendered to the President his formal resignation as postmaster-general, to take effect early next month, and Henry C. Payne of Wisconsin, vice-chairman of the Republican National Committee, has accepted the tender of the office to which he will be nominated immediately after the holiday recess. Mr. Smith has agreed to remain until January 15th, if necessary, but will return immediately thereafter to Philadelphia to resume the editorship of the Philadelphia Press.

NEWS has reached this country from New Zealand which gives details of great destruction of property in the Cheviot district by an earthquake on November 18. In the town of Cheviot and country the damage will reach $20,000. Scarcely a building was left standing. Great fissures opened in the earth and water issued from them. In one office a heavy safe was thrown across the room and brick chimneys fell like toy houses. The people are panic stricken as the shocks still continue. At Waiau river great cracks opened in the river bed into which water poured. Then they closed and volumes of water were sent hundreds of feet into the air.

IN view of the decision of the Court of Inquiry Congressman Jones of Arkansas introduced on Monday a joint resolution as follows: "That the thanks of Congress and the American people are hereby tendered to Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley and the officers and men under his command for highly distinguished conduct in conflict with the enemy, as this day evinced by them in the destruction of the Spanish fleet off the harbor of Santiago, Cuba, July 3, 1898. That the President of the United States be requested to cause this resolution to be communicated to Rear Admiral Schley, and through him to the officers and men under his command."

RICHARD CROKER, one of the shrewdest and most successful political leaders in the United States, in an authorized statement to the New York World acknowledges the fact that the newspapers of the metropolis defeated the Tammany ticket and paved the way for the election of Hon. Seth Low in the Mayor's office. The power of the press was never more strikingly exemplified. A directly opposite condition of affairs, however, appear to have prevailed in Philadelphia. "But then," commences the Oil City Derrick, "it must not be forgotten that the majority of the newspapers in the Quaker City were not engaged in promoting an honest reform that met with the approval of the general public but were merely promoting the personal ambitions of John Wanamaker and his political henchmen."

A WASHINGTON dispatch in regard to the situation in the Philippines says: Among the officials of the War Department no surprise was evinced at the reports from Manila that General Chaffee fears at any time a general uprising of the natives. Notwithstanding the apparent quietude prevailing except for occasional outbreaks in isolated places in the archipelago, Gen. Chaffee thoroughly realizes the possibility of once again having to contend with organized resistance to American supremacy. The War Department has been made cognizant of the possible contingency. It has been decided not to make any reduction in the forces now under Gen. Chaffee's command just now, and the possibility of increasing the force in the islands is being seriously considered, although it is still hoped that it will not be necessary. Army officers are of the opinion that the establishment of civil authority in the Philippines was a trifle premature. An officer on duty in the Philippines for more than two years writes a friend in Washington expressing the opinion that an army of 50,000 will be needed in the islands for at least five years.

Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16, 1901.

Both houses of Congress have worked with unusual energy during the past week and as a result there will be some important legislation enacted before the Christmas recess. In the Senate a large amount of time has been devoted to the discussion of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty and a final vote will be taken to-day. That the treaty will be ratified is assured.

Senator Dodge and Senator Foraker have both spoken with much ability in favor of the convention and have shown themselves familiar with its details from every point of view. The consensus of opinion, of the Senators supporting the treaty, is, that the United States will, by its terms, be at liberty to fortify the canal, and will have the privilege of making special tonnage rates to her own vessels engaged in the coastwise trade and that, while obligated to maintain the neutrality of the canal when other nations are at war, she will, if involved in war herself, be at liberty to suspend its provisions of neutrality, in so far as her enemy is concerned and, if necessary to her military success, she may even close the canal and as soon as peace is declared the treaty, which would have been merely suspended during the war, will again be in force.

It is unlikely that further legislation will be taken up by the Senate before the holiday recess with the possible exception of the consideration of the House tariff bill which will pass the latter body on Wednesday.

December 19th has been fixed by both houses as the date of adjournment and it is quite probable that it will be impossible for the Senate to take up and enact the tariff bill on the one day remaining after its passage by the House, but some of the friends of the measure tell me that, inasmuch as the bill was practically completed on Friday, they are trying to get the Senators to consider its provisions before its formal passage by the House so that they may be ready for immediate action on Wednesday. If the Senate consents to such hasty action it will be unprecedented and will be taken only as a result of the pressing need of the government of a bill providing revenue for the defrayment of the expenses of the Philippine Islands.

On Friday the Ways and Means Committee reported a bill to provide revenue exclusively for the Philippine Islands. In explanation of the provisions of the bill Mr. Payne said the United States was entering upon the policy of constructing extensive public improvements in the Philippine Islands, that schools have been established, roads built and repaired and a large amount of work in improving the harbor of Manila has already been performed, that the continuance of such public improvements will be necessary for an indefinite period, that the Treasury Department has been collecting the duties scheduled in the Dingley tariff bill on goods imported from the Philippines and that the Taft Commission has carefully prepared a tariff bill for the islands calculated to afford the needed revenue. By a decision of the Supreme Court the duties provided for by the measures mentioned could no longer be collected, and, therefore, the bill became a necessity to the continued administration of the affairs of the Islands.

The bill provides for the collection of the same duties as were formerly collected under the Dingley and Taft Commission bills and converts all duties collected on Philippine goods imported into the United States into the Philippine treasury. It permits foreign vessels to engage in commerce between the Philippines and the United States on payment of the same tonnage dues as are paid by vessels entering the United States from foreign countries and it further provides for a drawback of 99 per cent on imported goods manufactured in the United States and shipped to the Philippines.

The minority also presented a report denouncing the bill as imperialism, objecting to the general course of the United States in her treatment of the Islands and dissenting from practically all of the provisions of the bill. "We oppose the whole policy of the majority in dealing with the Philippine Archipelago" are the words of the minority report. The discussion of the bill will be open to-morrow, and a vote will be taken not later than four o'clock on Wednesday.

The Senate Committee on Isthmian Canals has reported favorably on Senator Morgan's bill providing for the construction of the Nicaraguan Canal. Senator Morgan in reporting the bill went into the matter of the Panama Canal extensively and had only words of condemnation for the methods of the Panama Canal company and their representative, M. Hutin. The present prospect is that the Senate will pass the Nicaraguan bill but it is believed that the House will pass the bill offered by Mr. Hepburn and now being considered by that Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. At the meeting of the Committee on Friday, the Hepburn bill was supported by all but two members, Mr. Fletcher of Minnesota, who was ordered reported but without action taken up until after the holidays when it will probably be made the first in the order of business.

Senator Frye has made public an explanation of his Ship Subsidy bill. After stating that he believes that his former bill was the best that could be framed, the Senator says that his has made some modifications in order to meet the objections which were raised against the former measure. He asserts the necessity of the provisions of the bill in order to establish regular steamship lines between this country and foreign ports which alone can establish regular trade, an impossible accomplishment for tramp vessels. He further submits that the bill passed in 1891 has not resulted in the establishment of any regular line with the exception of the American line to which it was necessary to make concessions not provided for in the bill.

There is almost unanimous disappointment at the report of the Schley Court of Inquiry, which, by its general report condemns Admiral Schley on almost every count in the "precept" but which is accompanied by a minority report signed by Admiral Dewey and exonerating Schley on every count. Admiral Schley and his friends profess to be much gratified that the hero of Manila should have declared him guiltless. Attorney Raynor expresses himself as sadly disappointed and believes that the admiral should now seek redress by a libel suit in the civil courts. As a matter of fact, after all the expense and turmoil of the Court of Inquiry, the matter is left very much where it was before the investigation was begun and it is extremely probable that a congressional investigation will be considered unavoidable.

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The Pennsylvania's Big Plans.

Philadelphia Inquirer.

Announcements of big plans for the future on the part of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company are so common nowadays that it takes something out of the ordinary to stir the imagination. The something is at hand now, since for the first time it is proposed, for the purposes of transportation, to connect Manhattan Island with New Jersey and Long Island. For years we have heard of a bridge that was to go over the North River and connect with a station in the centre of New York somewhere in the air. That plan is abandoned so far as the Pennsylvania is concerned, and outsiders who visit the metropolis over this line will enter the city eventually by means of tunnels underneath either the North River or East River, but without inconvenience or discomfort, since electricity is to be the motive power.

The plans of the Pennsylvania are far reaching. When the Long Island system was bought a few years ago many wondered why it was done. It now appears that it denoted a foregone conclusion. The present plan seems to contemplate a through all rail route from the Mississippi to Montauk Point, the extreme eastern end of Long Island, with a possible ferriage across the Sound to New England points. While the company has not taken the public into its full confidence, it seems certain that the plans now contemplate making the system the most complete in the country. While other managers have been talking of combinations the Pennsylvania has been looking after extensions that will produce dividends regardless of any community of interests."

It is well known that the cost of handling ocean freights in New York harbor is enormous. There is a minimum of span and a maximum of charges. To deliver freight on the docks is very expensive. The Pennsylvania's plans involve the creation of a port at Montauk Point, at the eastern end of Long Island, which will not only save time and canal, but will enable freights to be handled at an expense so small comparatively that the profits will be largely increased. The company can have its own docks and can make such arrangements as will reduce the time and expense of unloading to a minimum.

The improvement is the largest of its kind that has ever been undertaken, and we have a local pride in knowing that only the Pennsylvania is equal to the task. There may be those who wonder whether the expenditure of the many millions involved is justifiable in view of prospective profits, but as to that it may be said that Mr. Cassatt and his associates are better informed than any other person and it is not to be presumed that they are making mistakes. In fact the most progressive corporation in the world seems to be right at our doors. The corporation that needs sixty million dollars for improvements next year and has earned dividends on the amount before it is expended may well be trusted.

Our compliments to Father Knickerbocker, with the assurance that when he wants anything else well done in his town he may send to Father Penn with the assurance of being quickly and effectively accommodated.

Schley Report.

Buffalo Express.

There was not much discrepancy as to facts in the evidence brought out during the Schley investigation. It was hardly possible, therefore, that the court could fail to be unanimous so far as facts were concerned. Its report presents these facts in a compact form where the public, which has neither time nor patience to wade through the mass of testimony and of argument that have appeared during the controversy, can see what they really are. Thus the public has now a better opportunity to judge of the merits of the controversy for itself than has yet been given it.

But, while agreeing on the facts, the court disagrees as to the conclusions that should be drawn from them. The majority, consisting of Admirals Benham and Ramsay, condemn Schley on practically every point. Admiral Dewey makes a minority report in which he upholds on some points the contrary view. The great fame of Dewey will give to his opinion at least as much weight as will commonly be attached to that of the other two. As the Schley partisans will find considerable satisfaction in the outcome of the inquiry, especially in Dewey's final conclusion that Schley, as the senior officer, was in command of the Battle of Santiago, is entitled to full credit therefor.

The decision now in the judges is made to hinge on a point of fact to the other readers, but one will add to existing bitterness. While the friends of Schley will refuse to be satisfied with a condemnation in which Dewey will not join, and will doubtless immediately begin a movement to have it expunged from the records, the Navy Department, on the other hand, of our officers, especially Admirals Sampson and Crowninshield, are likely to be subjected to renewed attacks which will make it necessary for them to call for courts of inquiry on their own account. The matter must inevitably be fought over in Congress again when the delayed promotions are brought up. So the recommendation of the court that no further proceedings be taken on the controversy is an idle one. Where a unanimous report, either way, doubtless would have settled the whole affair permanently, a divided judgment, it is to be feared, has only served to prolong it and make it more complicated. Meantime, the morale of the Navy must suffer.

Correspondence

LARABEE.

In mentioning the supper given by the Modern Woodmen of America the Coryville correspondent, in behalf of the lodge, gave due praise to the ladies of that place for assistance rendered, but entirely overlooked the fact that the Larabee Cornet band was the drawing card of the occasion. Twice in the past month has our band gone to Coryville as a beneficiary—once in this instance and to the night-cap social, mentioned by us last week, and it is so cheering to notice that even scanty thanks have not been given them.

The funeral of Mrs. Polly Rice, widow of the late Anson Rice, was held from the residence of her son, Robert of Smithtown, on Sunday at 10 a. m. Mrs. Rice was one of the oldest residents of this region, living her married life at Smithtown. Some three years ago she suffered a stroke of paralysis which incapacitated her for an active life and later went to Erie, N. Y., where she had since resided with her daughter, Mrs. R. H. Green, and where her death occurred on Wednesday last.

It seems lonesome not to see the Shawmut train running in at the station, but high water has wrought havoc with their road. There's much grumbling among disappointed passengers who don't seem to realize but four trains can run just as well without a truck as with one.

Miss Luella Moyer, principal of the Crosby schools, was a very pleasant caller in town Saturday while enroute from the meeting of the Teachers' Association at Port Allegany.

Justice E. S. Carpenter is a very busy man these days looking after the assessment and attending to legal matters.

Dennis Daley, our hustling book agent, started out Monday with a generous load of books for delivery.

Mrs. Dayton Evans of Turtle Point visited a few of her many friends in town Monday.

TURTLE POINT.

Mrs. L. E. Bush returned from Gardeau where her grandson, Wm. Wallace Bush, had been very sick with pneumonia, on Thursday, and the same evening went to Coudersport to nurse Mrs. Mary Parker and infant.

Mrs. H. Crandall went to Coudersport Thursday to visit her daughter Mrs. Mary Parker, who has a little daughter, born Dec. 10. Mother and child are doing well.

A social for the benefit of Elder Moore was held at Wm. Lent's residence and was attended by a large and good natured crowd. A good collection was realized.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fredericks baby has been suffering with the grip. Mrs. Odell is also sick. Both are improving.

Mr. Love has gone to Jamestown to stay with his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Bradley.

Charles F. Bush is finishing Will Sobiskey's house on Annin Creek.

G. E. Crandall is firing on the "sliver" between Olean and Emporium.

Barney McNally died Saturday at his home on Rock Run.

The Best Plaster.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back or pain in the side or chest, give it a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm also cures rheumatism. One application gives relief. For sale by H. C. Wells, druggist.

The Money-Back Cough Syrup.

Means a lot to people who are tired of experimenting with the "ordinary" cough preparations—you are not out a cent if Dr. Geo. Leininger's Par-mal-de-hyde Cough Cure does not please you. It will cure consumption and all serious and stubborn lung and throat diseases. Sold at 25c on a guarantee by J. W. Voorhees.

[illegible] may be buying good robes [illegible] best range, look [illegible] at Wrome than the rest as I always do the best.
CHARLES LEMMLER.

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Boys wanted—Enquire at the office of the Hames Flun Bottle Works.

Photograph mounts, all sizes, for sale at this office.

Subscribe for the MINER.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary to the estate of Edwin P. Dalrymple, late of Port Allegany, McKean County, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been issued to the undersigned, residents of Portville, N. Y., to whom all persons indebted to said estate will make payment, and all persons having claims against said estate will present the same without delay to the said John E. Dalrymple, or to Bouton & Gallup, his attorneys, at Smethport, Pa.
JOHN E. DALRYMPLE,
Executor.
Dec. 13, 1901.

BELL BROS.

OLEAN'S BIG DEPARTMENT STORE

THE LARGEST AND BEST SHOPPING PLACE IN SOUTHWESTERN NEW YORK EXTENDS TO YOU A HEARTY WELCOME TO COME AND SEE THE HOLIDAY DISPLAY HERE.

With us Xmas is the culmination of months of planning. Ours is not haphazard buying.

XMAS DRESS GOODS AND SILKS

are here in great array. About 30 different patterns in fancy waist silks in stripes and brocades at $2.18 a pattern of 3 yards. Sold regularly at $1.00 and $1.25 a yard.

Our black silks are the same brands we have carried for years, and there are no better woven. A black silk waist or dress is an acceptable gift.

HINTS FOR GIFTS.

Muslin underwear neatly boxed and tied with ribbons for the Xmas season. Arnold's underwear for children, the best made and most practical under garment made for children.

Hosiery in plain and fancies of silk and cotton. Acceptable gifts always.

Terra Cotta ware, Bronze ware, Sterling Silverware Dan Lamps, Plaques.

Ebony goods in brushes and mirrors, manicure pieces, military brushes, etc., at $1.25 a set that we don't believe you can match for less than $2.00. Brush and mirror have real ebony back and sterling gold mtd. The whole set is neatly enclosed in a satin lined case.

HOLIDAY FOOTWEAR.

Hundreds of people make substantial savings on their shoe purchases during the year by trading at our shoe store. You'll profit as well by buying HOLIDAY FOOTWEAR HERE.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

I have an unusually large stock of Holiday Goods this year and they are all new. I have always managed to close out the stock every year so there are no shopworn goods here.

My stock contains suitable gifts for all, both old and young. You can get the gift for the baby, the children and the whole family here.

Celluloid Pictures, Celluloid Sets, Sterling Silver Novelties, but we could not name them all in a week. Just come in and look.

Calls for the Children! There is no use saying a word about presents for them. The little ones who gather in front of the windows and in the store are advertising the toys better than I could do if I owned the paper and was not busy doing up packages. For further particulars ask the youngsters or call.

H. C. WELLS,
SMETHPORT, PENN.

DESERVING OF A HOLIDAY WREATH.

Throwing bouquets at oneself is not considered good form, but we have received so many favorable comments on our

PLUMBING AND HEATING WORK

that we feel justified in mentioning a few of the reasons why we should receive the orders of careful people.

All orders receive prompt attention. All material used is of good quality. All men employed are competent.

Willett S. Palmer.

UNION OPP. NO. 24, BUTLER BLOCK, Smethport.

Time to Prepare for the Christmas Dinner.

The place to buy the material to be used in its preparation is a grocery which keeps only purest, best and most toothsome goods.

Don't you want Oranges, Grapes, Bananas, Apples, Figs, Dates, Stuffed Dates, Table Raisins, Canned Peaches, Pears, Red & White Cherries, Egg Plums, Sliced and Grated Pineapples, Pears, Strawberries and Raspberries, Canned Asparagus, Lima, String and Wax Beans, Peas, Corn, Succotash, Tomatoes, Beets, Sweet Potatoes and Pumpkins?

In fresh vegetables we have Celery, Cabbages, Pumpkins, Squash, Carrots, Ruta Baga Turnips, Beets, Onions, Spanish Onions, Sweet Potatoes, &c., &c., &c.

Try R. & R. Plum Pudding. It is the finest and purest canned.

We have in our cellar a carload of apples and a carload of potatoes. These were received by us before the cold weather and are free from frost. Try us on apples and potatoes. We can please you.

Shepard & Gallup.

THE LEADING GROCERS.

Gallup Block — Smethport, Pa

Armstrong's Reliable Jewelry Store

Is, as ever, headquarters for everything in the line of

Standard Jewelry.

If you wish to be ON TIME buy your

Watch or Clock

at this reliable establishment. Prices are right,

Stock is Complete,

Goods are the Best, therefore your patronage is solicited

M. L. ARMSTRONG,
Main Street, Smethport, Pa.

Buy and Try a Box Tonight.

While you think [illegible] and try a box of Cascarets. [illegible] that's all that's [illegible] never [illegible] Cascarets [illegible] stamped C. C. C. Never sold in bulk. All druggists, [illegible]

PASA[illegible]

KODAKS AND KODAK SUPPLIES.

We are agents for Eastman's Kodaks in this section. Our prices are as low as anywhere.

McCoy's Drug Store,

SMETHPORT, PA. NEXT DOOR TO POSTOFFICE.

FURNITURE

You make no mistake in buying here. The stock is complete, and prices low.

CARPETS

An elegant assortment just received. Now is the time to secure best values. Remember our stock of wall paper contains all the latest patterns.

Main Street, Smethport. Specht & Sasse.

FRESH BALTIMORE OYSTERS

every day in the week at

[illegible] Restaurant.

Families Supplied.

[illegible] Cartilles and Remedies for the Whole System; [illegible] Cures Catarrh, Asthma, Bronchitis, Consumption, Etc. Great Remedy for Pains, Bruises [illegible] HOOD PENNA.

Delicious and Strengthening

You Will Find

Dotterweich's Pure Beer,

Made from Pure Malt and Hops
Physicians Recommend It.

DOTTERWEIGH BREWING CO.,

OLEAN, NEW YORK.

Write or 'Phone for a case for family use to

Hungerford & McCarty,

BOTTLER, SMETHPORT, PA.

On Sale at all Hotels and Saloons.

Go to Store of

D. C. Young

for Your Christmas Goods.

New stock and great variety just received from New York City at prices that cannot be beaten.

Fancy Baskets, 5c to $1.00. Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 5c up. Dolls from 1c to $2. Women's Flannelette Wrappers 75c to $1.50.

400 New Books, no two alike, at 15c to 24c each.

Silk Umbrellas, $1.50 to $5.00, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Please call and examine for yourselves at my store, corner Main and Union streets.

Special prices to teachers and Sunday school workers.

D. C. YOUNG,

SMETHPORT, PA.; Dec. 10, 1901.

Go To

L. K. Hogarth & Co.

for

Fancy Goods, Cut Glass, Wave Crest Ware, Leather Goods, Sterling Silver Novelties, Toilet Sets, Etc.

We are closing out our stock Medallions below cost.

L. K. HOGARTH & CO.

Opposite Court House.

Leading Druggists, Smethport, Pa.

Great Reduction Sale

ON OVERCOATS, SHOES AND RUBBERS

For Ten Days.

50 Men's Overcoats, all wool, Beaver or Kersey, worth from $7.50 to $8, go at $4.65.

75 Men's Overcoats, all wool Kersey, gray or blue, worth from $9.50 to $12, go at $7.65.

65 Men's Overcoats, very fine, tailor-made, Oxford gray, worth from $12.50 to $16, go at $9.98.

75 pairs Ladies' Shoes, fine or box calf, worth from $1.00 to $2, go at $1.29.

65 pairs Ladies Shoes, very fine, heavy soles, worth from $2.50 to $3, go at $1.75.

75 pairs Ladies' Shoes, French Vici Kid, worth from $3.50 $4, go at $2.38.

3 doz Men's Felt Boots and Rubbers, the best, warranted go at $2.10.

3 doz Men's Rubber Boots, the best, warranted, sizes from 6 to 10, go at $2.68.

75 pairs Ladies' Rubbers, storm or low, the best, go at $.42.

3 doz. Men's Artics, the best, heavy or light, worth from $1.75 to $2, go at $1.19.

3 doz. Men's high heavy Rubbers, Snag Proof, the best, with lace, go at $1.78.

55 pairs Little Rubber Boots, sizes from 5 to 12, goes from 93 cents up.

100 pairs Misses' and Children's Rubbers, the best, storm or low go from 25 cents up.

We invite you all to come during this sale. You can save 50 cents on a dollar.

MAX SCHOOLAR,

Main street, opposite Court House, Smethport, Pa., and Olean, N. Y.

F. G. LINDHOLM & CO. F. G. LINDHOLM & CO

SATURDAY, DEC. 7.

Grand Opening Display

OF

HOLIDAY GOODS!

To day we make our first display of holiday goods.

The first floor is full of all kinds of fancy goods, toys, dolls, games and everything suggestive of the approaching holiday season. Inspection invited.

FURS,

JACKETS

and SUITS.

All the best styles in neckwear of the choicest furs, $1 to $15.50.

Elegant fashions in long Coats, Automobiles, Ulsters, Raglans French Jackets, Etc.

Ladies' tailor-made suits for street, dress and traveling, $10.00 to $25.00

Dress Skirts in great variety—in cloth, $5.00 to $12.50; in silk, $12.50.

F. G. LINDHOLM & CO.

Wasting Time.

If you saw someone catching a great many fish farther up the stream, would you waste your time fishing where you were catching only a few?

Shop where most Christmas goods are.

If that other fisherman were catching trout and you were pulling out every now and then a chub—would you still stick?

Shop where things are good.

CHINAWARE.

Tea and After Dinner Coffee Cups and Cake and Bread and Butter Plates, Scales in all shapes and sizes, Fancy Olives, Celery Trays, Nut Bowls, Brush and Comb Trays, Carbonate Pots, Biscuit Jars, Sugars and Creams, Pin Trays etc., etc. etc. We have the above in Haviland Limoges or German China.

CUT GLASS.

Bon Bons in all shapes and sizes, Nappies, Salads, Spoon Trays, Carafes, Jellies, Celery Trays, Cream and Sugars, etc., etc. etc. etc.

Venetian Glass.

Footed and Handled Bon Bons and Nappies etc. etc. etc. This is cut glass filled with gold. The latest and prettiest ware on the market.

GLASSWARE.

Glasses, Tumblers, Finger Bowls, Vinegar Cruits, Sherbets, Oil Bottles, Rose Bowls, Colored Water Sets, four piece Table Sets, consisting of Butter Dish, Cream and Sugar and Spoon Holder, etc., etc., etc. In fact we have a complete line of Blow and Pressed Glassware.

NOVELTIES.

Ash Trays, Match Safes, Tobacco Jars, Ash Receivers, Bisque Figures, Vases, Wedgewood Plaques and Sugar and Creams, Jardinieres, Syrup Cups, etc., etc.

Stirling Silver.

Meat Forks, Tea Spoons, Cream Ladles, Oyster Forks, Bon Bon Spoons, Sugar Shells, After Dinner Coffee Spoons, Tomato Servers, Olive Spoons.

Redfield's Hardware,

Mason Block, SMETHPORT, PA.

Just Received!

The Finest and most complete line of

Picture Mouldings

ever brought to Smethport. Before you purchase a frame call and see the elegant assortment at my studio

IKE" GLEASON. The Photographer,

Smethport, Pa.

Christmas Goods

You are invited to call and inspect our display of Holiday Goods, trimmings, skirts, jackets, children's cloaks, bonnets, etc.

A great reduction on flannelette waists and ready to wear hats.

MRS. A. E. HINMAN,

Smethport, Pa.

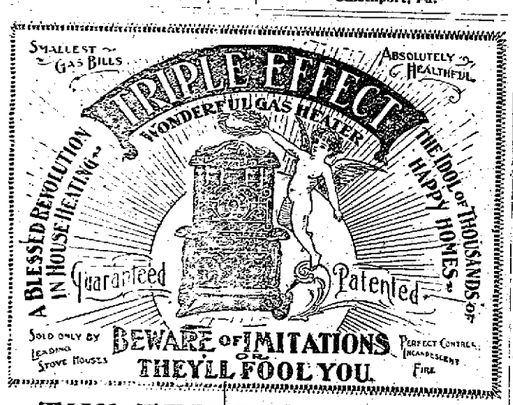
SMALLEST GAS BILLS — ABSOLUTELY HEALTHFUL

A BLESSED REVOLUTION IN HOUSE HEATING

TRIPLE EFFECT

WONDERFUL GAS HEATER

THE IDOL OF THOUSANDS OF HAPPY HOMES



Guaranteed — Patented

SOLD ONLY BY LEADING STOVE HOUSES

BEWARE OF IMITATIONS OR THEY'LL FOOL YOU.

PERFECT CONTROL — INCANDESCENT FIRE

THE TRIPLE EFFECT.

If you are going to buy a Heating Stove get the best. If you want heat, health and a small gas bill, get the Triple Effect. If you have any doubt of its marvelous heating qualities, consult any one who has used one, and especially those who have "fired" the imitations and replaced them with the original and ONLY Triple Effect. Sold ONLY by

J. C. Hamlin.

in Smethport and Vicinity.

Remember its system of manufacturing hot air is covered by U. S. patents owned by the makers, and I have their exclusive agency for this town. Any one claiming similar improvements in furnace heating is trying to recite 'Hamlet' with Hamlet left out.

They are sold at the same prices the world over.

McKean County Miner

SMETHPORT, THURSDAY, DEC. 19 1901.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—See Shillenn & Gallup's new ad.

—Bell Bros. advertise Christmas goods this week.

—Rev. A. R. Kieffer at the Baptist church, January 17.

—Christmas Wednesday next, this office will be closed all day.

—Judge T. A. Morrison is holding court in Coudersport this week.

—H. H. Redfield has a change of advertisement this week which will interest holiday buyers.

—Art Goodnough, who shot and killed man in Austin last summer, is being tried at Coudersport this week.

—Knox & Knox of Bradford give you some interesting figures on shoes and slippers in their new ad this week.

—Miss Kate Griffin, public stenographer, Bradford, is a graduate of Warner's Business college, Bradford, Pa.

—Theodore Goodman is bookkeeper for Goodman & Co., Bradford. He is a graduate of Warner's Business college, Bradford, Pa.

—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. R. Wollington of Machias, N. Y., on Sunday last, a boy. Grandpa Joe Gilbert is the proudest man in town.

—The Kane Gun Club will shoot a match with the Smethport Gun Club on Friday afternoon of next week at the trap above the Smethport glass works.

—The fourth entertainment in the Brockway series will be given at the court house on Wednesday evening, January 1. The Ottumwas is the attraction.

—A lively scrap took place in the postoffice last night while the evening mail was being distributed. It was between two dogs and made a lively scattering among the people waiting for mails.

—Chas. A. Johnson, bookkeeper for Mooney & Johnson, Bradford, is a graduate of Warner's Business college, Bradford, Pa.

—Lost—One side of Knights Templar Maltose Cross with white keystone; the finder will be rewarded by returning to this office or to L. W. Dunn.

—L. A. Marck, the Bradford wholesale liquor dealer, is giving away a beautiful decanter of fine old port wine with every $1 purchase. See ad in another column.

—If you are looking for anything in the furniture line for Christmas it will be well to call on J. M. Sloan of Bradford. He carries a large first class line. See ad in another column.

—The State Normal school at Clarion furnished nearly one-fourth of Pennsylvania's contingent of teachers sent to the Philippines. There are over thirty normal schools and colleges in this state.

—"Ike" Simons, the popular Bradford clothier and furnisher, has a new ad this week. When you go to Bradford to do any buying be sure and call on "Ike." He always makes you welcome.

—A grand masquerade ball will be held in O. D. Bush's hall, East Smethport, to-morrow night. Mrs. Church of Buffalo will be at the home of Gardner Cullen to rent costumes for the occasion. A good time is assured to all who attend.

—Frank Woodard, who shot and killed Chief of Police Daniel McGrath of Titusville over two years ago, has at last been captured. He was captured last week in Clarksburg, W. Va., where he had been living under the name of Frederick Adams.

—On Monday morning the general store of Fred B. Digel at Colevillo was completely destroyed by fire. Mr. Digel and family lived in rooms on the second floor of the building and barely escaped with their lives. The loss, which is estimated at $8,500, is partially covered by insurance.

—Bernard McNally of Annin township died at his home on Friday last aged about 70 years. He leaves an aged wife and several children, among whom are Mrs. T. H. Purtle and Mrs. Fred Andrews of this place. The funeral services were held in the Catholic church at Sartwell on Monday.

—The Travelers' Club is to be congratulated upon securing the services of Rev. A. R. Kieffer for one of the evenings of their series of entertainments for the benefit of the club house fund. Rev. Kieffer needs no introduction to a Smethport audience, and we predict for his hearers a delightful evening in London.

—The high water on Sunday and Monday did considerable damage in this section. Between Farmers Valley and Coryville the grade on the P., S. & N. was washed out for nearly a mile. A large crew of men have been busy night and day repairing the road bed and now trains are being run to Larrabee as usual.

—At about 1:30 Sunday morning three police officers made a raid on two alleged gambling places in town. In one of the places no evidence could be found, but in the other eight men, some cards and chips were gathered in. The men gave bail for their appearance before Justice Knapp on Monday. At the hearing all were discharged for want of evidence.

—At an adjourned meeting of Smethport Hose Co., No. 1, last Monday evening the following officers were elected: Sheridan Gorton, Jr., foreman; A. H. Pierce, Jr., 1st assistant foreman; Corte Corwin, 2d assistant foreman; Hon. T. F. Richmond, president; W. E. McCammon, secretary; M. L. Armstrong, treasurer; B. L. Knapp, Frank Kerns, Peter Conley, trustees.

—Redfield's Magazine for January, as will be seen by reading advertisement in another column, will be out about Dec. 25th. This is to be the holiday number and it is larger than ever. It contains many beautiful half-tones illustrating the articles. To-day Redfield's is ahead of any five cent magazine and is equal to many of the ten cent magazines on the market.

—A Kane special to the Bradford Era of Tuesday says: John Carlson, aged 35 years, while walking on the Pennsylvania track in the vicinity of Sargent, was struck by the cars and killed. Coroner Sherman is here investigating the case. There will be no formal inquest by a jury. The deceased was a single man. He has a friend named John Gustavson, who works for Mayor Greenewald, near Bradford. An effort is being made to notify Gustavson.

—At St. Luke's church on Christmas Day, Wednesday, Dec. 25th, the services will be at 8, 10 and 10:30 a. m. At the 10:30 a. m. service the music will be as follows: Processional, "Adeste Fideles." Introit, Magnificat. Sequence, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing." Service, Eyre in E-flat. Anthem, "Nazareth," Gounod. Hymn, "Once in Royal David's City, etc." The service will begin promptly and will last about one hour. All are cordially invited to attend.

—The Catholic fair, which was held in the hose house all last week, came to an end Saturday. It was a grand success, both for pleasure and profit. The gross proceeds were nearly $800, which will net the church between $500 and $600. In the ring contest Miss Ella Carson was the winner. She turned in $226.50 and Miss Rachael McCarthy, her opponent, had $169.05 to her credit. Henry Hailman was the winner of the sofa pillow, he having guessed nearest to the number of beans in a bottle. Mrs. Mary L. Bisett was presented with the beautiful doll, she giving it the correct name which was Thomasine.

—The party who took in the excursion over the Kushequa Route last Friday night to see the operetta, "The Merry Milkmaids" at Mt. Jewett did not see much of the show. At Newton, while backing into a switch, the engine left the track and the excursionists watched the operations of a wrecking crew for about an hour and a half. Another engine was sent from Kushequa and the party arrived in Mt. Jewett shortly before 10 o'clock. "The Merry Milkmaids" entertained the party till about 11 o'clock. This pretty little opera was put on by Mt. Jewett people and the way in which it was produced proves that our neighbor mountain town has a great deal of talent. Miss Agnes McCoy of this place took part and rendered several beautiful soprano solos in her usual pleasing manner and now she is a prime favorite with Mt. Jewett people. We understand this operetta will be given here by home talent some time this winter.

An elegant line of nickeled ware at the Big Store. Holiday buyers are requested to look over the stock.

J. C. HAMLIN.

See our line of Christmas goods. Come early and have your pick. Holmes & Gilfillan.

Hints to Holiday Shoppers.

Below we give a list of the leading merchants in town and vicinity with whom it will pay you to visit when looking for Christmas things. They are those who believe in letting you know through the columns of this paper that they are in business. Following are the firm names and their leading line of goods:

M. L. Armstrong, large stock of jewelry and silverware.

Anderson & Carlson, footwear.

Brownell Bros., groceries and dry goods.

Mary L. Bisett, 5 and 10 cent store, toys and novelties.

C. A. Burdick, musical instruments.

D. M. Brasted, bakery, fruits and groceries.

Bell Bros., Olean, dry goods, millinery, Christmas things.

J. Colegrove, dry goods and groceries.

Mrs. E. G. Carter, jewelry and silverware.

Carrie Reilly Clark & Co., millinery.

Fry & Herzog, dry goods and Christmas novelties.

R. C. Gleason, photographer, kodaks and supplies.

Gaskin & Grant, books, periodicals, newspapers.

Green Bros., flour, feed, etc.

J. C. Hamlin, hardware, china, etc.

Mrs. A. E. Hinman, millinery.

Holmes & Gilfillan, lumber, hardware, sleds, etc.

Hagberg, oysters and clams.

L. K. Hogarth & Co., drugs, cut glass, silver novelties.

Hungerford & McCarty, bottlers, Dotterweich pure beer.

E. W. Jones, livery and sales stable.

Knox & Knox, Bradford, footwear.

Lindholm & Co., groceries, dry goods, shoes, Christmas goods.

Charles Lemunier, horse furnishings, trunks, etc.

McCoy's Drug Store, books, stationary, toys, games.

J. S. McCarty, meats, provisions.

Wm. Monheimer, clothing, furnishings.

L. A. Marck, Bradford, wholesale liquor dealer.

Willett S. Palmer, gas heaters and lights.

Palmer & Dodge, livery and sale stable.

Redfield's Magazine, 50 cents per year.

H. W. Rubin & Co., merchant tailors, clothing and furnishings.

H. H. Redfield, hardware, china and glass.

J. F. Rooney, meats and provisions.

Specht & Sasse, furniture and carpets.

"Ike" Simons, Bradford, clothing and furnishings.

Shepard & Gallup, groceries, fruits, meats.

Shillenn & Torrence, merchant tailors.

Max Schooler, clothing, dry goods, furnishings.

J. M. Sloan, Bradford, furniture, carpets, etc.

Schwab & Sherman, Bradford, photographers.

A. E. Stickles, East Smethport Racket store.

Emil Tiburzi, cigar manufacturer.

J. W. Voorhees, drugs, medicines, Christmas gifts.

H. C. Wells, drugs, holiday goods, toys, games.

D. C. Young, dry goods, groceries, holiday goods.

T. J. Young, oysters, clams, etc.

A pretty piece or set of imported china always makes a beautiful Christmas gift. You can see the big line at the Big Store.

J. C. HAMLIN.

John Swan, the jeweler, is located with me and will be pleased to see his old customers and many new ones.

M. L. ARMSTRONG

Anything in the line of Holiday crockery or hardware can be found at J. C. Hamlin's Big Store.

A handsome present is a piece of our nickel-plated tableware at Holmes & Gilfillan's.

Now is the time to buy your robes and blankets, and Lemunier's is the place to buy them.

The celebrated Triple Effect Heater for sale at J. C. Hamlin's.

Boys' tool chests, skates, air guns, 22 cal. rifles at Holmes & Gilfillan's.

PERSONAL MENTION.

[illegible] Nugent of [illegible] was in town Tuesday.

T. H. Morrison [illegible] Coudersport Tuesday.

Nelson Gleason of Port Allegany was in town on business Tuesday.

F. P. Shepard of Bradford was in town on business Tuesday.

Attorney Chas. Cowgill of Port Allegany was in town on business Tuesday.

Mrs. T. F. Richmond has returned from Philadelphia where she purchased supplies for the [illegible] store.

Mrs. T. J. Gallup is visiting her daughter and grandson in Jamestown, N. Y.

Miss Theresa Hagberg returned on Friday from a visit to her parents in Olean.

Mrs. Catherine Sullivan and Miss Cecelia Sullivan of Olean are visiting friends in this place.

Miss Katherine Shannon of Olean was the guest of Miss Mary Sheehan over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kane and daughters, Misses Marion, Elizabeth and Grace are visiting in Indiana.

County Treasurer C. W. Crandall, Prothonotary Geo. W. Mitchell and F. Richmond were over from the county seat yesterday, Supt. Gallup's Buffalo Run.

Misses Sue Wilson and Mae Cole, who have been visiting friends here and at Sartwell, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson on Main street for some time left Thursday for New Castle.

Mrs. W. H. Palmer of Sistersville, W. Va., who has been visiting friends and relatives in Smethport and vicinity for the past two months, left on Friday and Saturday, stopping for a few days at Bradford with relatives and friends.

Sentences of Prisoners.

The court imposed [illegible] as follows last Thursday:

Fred Ripley convicted of larceny and bastardy, was fined $25 with [illegible] to pay the costs of prosecution, to pay the girl $20 and pay on the [illegible] the support of the child until [illegible] the age of nine years.

Gust Yoshage, charged with [illegible] was fined $25 and costs of prosecution, sentenced to six months in the Western Penitentiary and [illegible].

Clyde McKinney, convicted of stealing a turkey, was sentenced to pay a fine, the costs and to undergo imprisonment for six months in the Western Penitentiary. [illegible] was sentenced to pay the same fine and costs, and undergo imprisonment for the same length of time in the same prison. McKinney and [illegible] Kinney not guilty, [illegible] the difference [illegible] have been taken to the Court House at Larrabee.

An Apology.

An apology is due the holders of season tickets for the Travelers' Club entertainments for the [illegible] that there were to be [illegible] the other three numbers. The [illegible] of the [illegible] it suffered by the [illegible] of its committee. The [illegible] our citizens during the [illegible] into autumn drawn heavily by the attractions of the Pan American [illegible] often caused the [illegible] that [illegible] were [illegible] peas are have made it impossible [illegible] for fulfil our contract.

HELEN S. C. MORRISON,
IRENE D. WEAVER,
ELLA WHITE.

Notice to Taxpayers.

All taxpayers of Smethport borough are hereby notified that an additional 5 per cent on the tax duplicate [illegible] be paid over to the [illegible] can be found at the [illegible] store of Specht & Sasse, Dec. 5th.

CALL SASSE, Collector.

Wanted—An [illegible] and general housework. Apply at the home of Wm. B. Clarke, Jr.

The best sleds for the money are found at Holmes & Gilfillan's.

Don't fail to see display of [illegible] at Hogarth & Co.'s.

Buy the kind of [illegible] ones at Holmes & Gilfillan's.

SHOE NEWS

AT THE

New Shoe Store.

All the desirable Fall and Winter footwear for man, woman and child is here and at prices that do not [illegible].

A large line of Holiday Slippers for all. New styles and new prices.

We have all the best makes of Rubbers, including the Lambertville Snags.

MEN'S HOLIDAY SLIPPERS, Velvet	50c
" " " All leather	75c and up
LADIES' FELT SHOES, All kinds	75c and up
" " JULIETS, Fur trim, black and red	75c

Leggings and Overgaiters for every member of the family.

BRADFORD. *KNOX & KNOX,* 56 MAIN ST.

Free! Free! Free!

A Beautiful Decanter of fine old

PORT WINE

FREE with every **$1.00** purchase.

Goods shipped to all parts of the country.

Mail orders receive prompt attention.

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Wholesale Liquor House,

122 MAIN ST. Bradford, Pa.

UP-TO-DATE

attire, like that of the gentleman in the cut, makes a man look solid with himself and the world. Such a man is on the right train and is moving ahead at a winning speed. Clothing which solid men like to wear will be found in our array of

FALL SUITS.

A man passes for what he looks, just as a dollar passes for a hundred cents. To give yourself a hundred cent up-to-par appearance just put yourself inside one of our FALL SUITS.

H. W. RUBIN & Co.,

THE ONE PRICE

MERCHANT TAILORS, CLOTHIERS & FURNISHERS.

Christmas is Coming

And we are ready for you with the most extensive line of toys in town. All the latest novelties for the children—banks, sleds, wagons, toy stoves, boys' tool chests, toy sweepers, children's sets of knives and forks—in fact everything you can think of to make the little folks happy. And we have not forgotten the older ones. What makes a better present than a Bissell carpet sweeper, carving set, nickel plated tableware, and the hundred and one other useful presents you can find on our shelves? All of them at the

Very Lowest Prices.

If you don't believe this just convince yourself, but be sure to bring the little folks along.

HOLMES & GILFILLAN

Smethport, Pa. McKean County.

Lumber, Hardware, Wagons, Sleds, General Blacksmithing, Etc.

"THE FAMOUS,"

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No Reason

to tell you $10 worth at $7.50, &c., because our $7.50 suit shows that it is worth EVERY CENT we ask for it. And we give 10 cents worth for One Dollar, in any other goods you may buy in this store.

WE ARE NOT HUMBUGGING YOU.

SUITS and OVERCOATS. They are here, from $5.00 to $20.00 and are the best values you can possibly get, for your money.

HONORABLE BUSINESS METHODS

as we pursue, are of a mutual benefit.

SUITABLE XMAS GIFTS.

TIES and UNDERWEAR. They are beauties, must be seen to be appreciated. Come in a catchy Box handsomely Embossed and just the thing for an Xmas present. From 75c to $1.50

HATS and SHOES. The Kossuth soft hat and the Dunlap Block Derby can't be beat in style and quality. $2.25 to $2.50

The EARLESS SHOES are guaranteed to wear or a new pair given free of charge. $3.50 to $5.00

Many, many more articles, too numerous to mention; all handsome, stylish and up to date. Any purchase you make here you get

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH OR YOUR MONEY BACK.

Wm. Monheimer.

Gifts for the Men.

It will afford many people a great pleasure to shop in our immense establishment, which is so well lighted and everything so neatly and tidily arranged. For the crowds which are sure to visit our store we have engaged an extra force of salespeople and every customer will receive prompt and courteous attention. The ladies will not have to rack their brains about what to get him. Just come and see the many handsome articles we have that men like.

Our clothing lines are made up of fresh, new goods, and are not excelled by any shown in this country. The prices are particularly attractive. Each piece of wearing is well as beautiful doubly [illegible] Most practical bargains.

IKE SIMONS

46-48 MAIN STREET, BRADFORD, PA.

The Big Double Clothing Store.

HOLIDAY BUYERS,

[illegible] buyers at any time, will do well to look over my stock of Furniture at this time. My stock is always the largest in the city, but now it is larger than usual.

If you are looking for a real useful gift for anyone your time will not be wasted by calling on me.

J. M. SLOAN,

16 Main St. BRADFORD, PA.

FRY & HERZOG

Dry Goods, Men's Furnishings, Carpets.

CHRISTMAS DISPLAY

New, Complete, Extensive, Varied,

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29th.

We feel confident in inviting you to look over our line of Holiday Goods this season that you will find much to please you and consider your time well spent.

Gift making to be done to one's satisfaction requires a considerable amount of study and is very trying where stocks are meagre. Come here and let us help you with your list, here where there is abundance for both sexes, all ages and all dispositions.

"Young America" wants toys that do something, games and play helps of a different sort from those of last year. We have the things that satisfy the rising generation.

In novelties and things for gifts substantial we present exceptionally good offerings.

Every day prices prevail. We have no Holiday high figures and (pardon our conceit) we believe you will find more satisfaction here than elsewhere.

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MADE TO ORDER IS AN APPROPRIATE CHRISTMAS GIFT. GET ONE MADE BY

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The Leading Tailors,

Chadwick Block. Smethport.

Holiday Attractions.

THIS IS FOR YOU.

The attractions to be found here include everything that can be thought of in the way of Beautiful Gifts. You can find . . . . . .

Toilet Articles, Pictures, Medallions, Purses, Books, Mirrors, Pipes of all kinds, Tobacco and Cigars and many other beautiful articles . . . . . .

The time to Buy

Is now. Don't wait until the goods have all been picked over and stocks are low. Be on time.

Palace Pharmacy,

JOHN W. VOORHEES, Prop.,

Main Street, Smethport, Pa.

I will pay car fare both ways for a Distance of 15 Miles to all persons purchasing $10 of goods for cash at this store.

A CHRISTMAS STARTER.

HIGH PRICED GOODS FOR LITTLE MONEY.

One of the finest assortments of Toys and Christmas Gifts ever seen in Smethport; The most complete line of Christmas Tree Ornaments that has ever been shown here; all kinds of Dolls, Toys, China, Bric-a-Brac, Etc. Also many useful household articles. A class of goods that the people of Smethport and vicinity will appreciate . . . . . .

An inspection of my stock will convince you that this is the best place in town to purchase Holiday Goods. . . . . .

MARY L. BISETT,

RUBIN BLOCK. SMETHPORT, PA.

SUGGESTIONS

For the Holiday Trade.

A cheerful call to Christmas buyers. My fine display of Holiday goods is opened and ready for inspection. The newest novelties. The best selections. The most appropriate presents for one and all at fairest prices. Diamonds in rings, pins, studs and sleeve buttons. Watches of all makes and sizes, Clocks, Jewelry and 1847 Roger Bros.' Silverware. Cut Glass and Sterling goods. A good assortment of badges of different orders. A fine line of optical goods.

I have also secured Mr. B. M. Austin of Coudersport, an expert watchmaker and engraver, to take charge of my work which places me in position to give my patrons perfect satisfaction.

All goods sold by me engraved free.

Respectfully,

MRS. E. C. CARTER,

Smethport, Pa.

NEW CENTURY CALIGRAPH.

Double universal keyboard. Represents 23 years' labor by the makers of the Caligraph typewriter. "The velvet touch"—minimum of labor and noise in operating.

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for January

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Smethport, Pa.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—The Ottumwas at the court house January 1.

—Mrs A. E. Hinman has a change of ad this week.

—The Potter Journal says there is no small-pox in Coudersport.

—Chauncey Depew and Miss May Palmer will be married on Tuesday, Dec 24.

—Fourth number Travelers' Club entertainments January 15th, at the Baptist church.

—Mr. Mossman is a clerk in Palmer's store, Bradford. He is a student of Warner's Business college, Bradford.

—J. Colegrove has a new ad this week calling attention to the many good things to eat which he has in his store.

—The price of milk has been raised to seven cents per quart in this borough and the consumer is doing considerable kicking.

—Read the advertisements in this paper carefully. They are the correct guide to the proper places to do your buying.

—Gold and silver are said to have been found in paying quantities in Columbia county, this state. We hope the report is true.

—Miss Dawn Richardson is a stenographer at Ft. Fairfield, Maine. She is a graduate of Warner's Business college, Bradford, Pa.

—The court house officials have been shivering this week. A change has been made in the heating system of the court house and during this cold weather the only heat furnished in that building has been from small, open fireplaces.

—A gas well has been struck in Elk county recently which is producing 2,100,000 feet of gas per day.

—The Haines Flint Bottle works was compelled to shut down on Monday on account of the high water. Work was resumed on Tuesday.

—The Crescent Club of Mt. Jewett will give a dance at the Mountain opera house on the evening of Dec. 30. A good time is assured those who attend.

—Despite the fact that the mercury registered 3 degrees below zero last Friday at five a. m. at midday a lady counted fifteen dandelions in bloom on the terrace above Sixth street.—Emporium Press.

—Beginning Feb. 1, 1902, there will be two rural free mail delivery routes from Kane. Route one will cover a distance circular travel of 25¾ miles and route two will cover 19¼ miles circular travel.

—Special Christmas music will be rendered by both choirs at the Methodist church next Sunday. Christmas sermon in the morning and continuation of series in the evening, "The Church and Political Equality."

—The Rev. P. S. Calvin will preach in the Baptist church next Sunday morning and evening. A girls' chorus will assist with the music. Mr. Calvin will also preach in the East Smethport chapel at 2:30 p. m. All are invited to attend.

—B. F. Briggs, who was arrested on a charge of assault and battery on his 84-year old mother-in-law, in Bradford, mention of which was made last week, was discharged at the hearing with a severe reprimand. Briggs is over 70 years old.

—The pressure in a gas well belonging to the Coryville Oil & Gas Co. at Sartwell became so great last Saturday that 60 feet of casing was blown from the hole. The well had been shut in for some time while arrangements were being made to connect it with the main line.

—Mrs. McKinley, widow of the late President, is becoming melancholy and it is feared that unless something can be done to cheer her up she will not live long. The poor woman sits for hours wrapped up in her grief and says she will spend Christmas day alone in her room.

—The fourth number of the series of entertainments under the direction of the Travelers' Club will be given at the Baptist church Wednesday evening, January 15th, when the Rev. A. E. Kieffer of Bradford will lecture upon London, as he saw it during his recent trip abroad.

—Letters remaining in the postoffice for week ending Dec. 14, 1901: C. C. Anderson, J. Biothenberger, Wm. Frillinger, Milton Graham, Geo. H. Hankins, Miss Mae T. Jacobs, Robert Jidood, L. LaRue, Stella Mallorie, Ruben Richardson, Frances Smith, Frank Thompson, Miss Mary Underwood, Pierre Very.

—"Within five years every farmer will have his mail delivered at his door. The rural free delivery system will be in operation over an area of 1,000,000 square miles and that will include all the inhabitants of the United States." This statement was made by Superintendent Machem of the free delivery system of inhabited territory of the United States.

—The Sartwell House at Port Allegany, which for many years has held a place in the front rank of country town hotels, is getting out of its class under Chet King's energetic management. A three-story addition provides rooms that compare favorably with those in city hotels, each room having a bath room connected, and furnished in elegant style.—Potter Journal.

—At St. Luke's church the Christmas Eve service will be on Tuesday, 24th, at seven o'clock. Anthems and carols will be sung by the junior choir and the rector will make a short address, after which the children will meet at the I. O. O. F. hall for the tree, refreshments, etc. The All Saints' Sunday school, East Smethport, will have their service, carols, tree and gifts at 4 p. m. Tuesday, 24th.

—Amos Rusie, who stopped making baskets at $12 per week to become a professional baseball pitcher at $150 a week during the season, is now earning $1.50 a day by digging trenches for water works in Muncie, Ind. Thus again it is proven that in the days when we are a "daisy" we should lay up the dollars for the days ahead when we know not what we may be.—Venango Citizen Press.

—As John Kinney of Bingham was walking from Bradford to his home in company with a friend Saturday night, he fell off a trestle on the B., R. & P., near Lewis Run, to the ravine below, a distance of 18 feet. He received a compound fracture of the left forearm, a dislocated shoulder, a broken nose and a number of cuts and bruises. His companion secured help and he was taken home. It is thought he will recover.

—Harry Mullin, editor of the Emporium Press, is bound to make himself solid with the widows of that thriving town, as will be seen by the following which appeared in the Press last week over his signature: The Press is pleased to inform the widowed ladies of Emporium borough that the same courtesy will be extended to them this year as has been the custom the past two years. We desire the name of every widow residing in Emporium, giving name and street, at once, so that all may be served alike, rich or poor, with a good turkey in ample time for Christmas.

—Some of our exchanges are urging that penny collections be taken up in the schools for the McKinley monument fund. We cannot agree with them that the proposition is a good one. The system is one of blackmail. No sensitive child would go to school without a penny on that day and if any one should not contribute, from poverty or any other cause, the child is ostracized and made to feel that he or she "does not belong to our set." President McKinley was too kind-hearted a man to thank any one for a monument that cost the tears of one child, because of its inability to contribute.—Mt. Jewett News.

—The Christmas treat and exercises of the Methodist Sunday school will be given on Christmas eve. Instead of being given presents this year in addition to the usual treat the school is to have an opportunity to show that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." Members of the school are invited to bring presents to be distributed to some less fortunate than themselves, making a brighter Christmas for all. One or more apples or potatoes from each of the younger scholars, and useful articles from older members of the school should make a full barrel to send to the Deaconess Home in Buffalo as a Christmas present.

—The McKean County Medical Society held its regular monthly meeting at Kane Thursday evening, with an attendance of ten members. Papers were read by Drs. Evan O'Neill Kane and W. J. Armstrong of Kane, both of which proved to be of more than ordinary interest. Dr. Kane presented an original method of uniting the intestines which appears to be of pronounced merit. It was determined that the papers should be published in the State and national journals of the profession. The next meeting of the association will be held at Smethport the 2nd Tuesday in January.—Mt. Jewett Herald.

Women and Jewels.

Jewels, candy, flowers, man—that is the order of a woman's preferences. Jewels form a magnet of mighty power to the average woman. Even the greatest of all jewels, health, is often ruined in the strenuous efforts to make or save the money to purchase them. If a woman will risk her health to get a coveted gem, then let her fortify herself against the insidious consequences of coughs, colds and bronchial affections by the regular use of Dr. Boschee's German Syrup. It will promptly arrest consumption in its early stages and heal the affected lungs and bronchial tubes and drive the dread disease from the system. It is not a cure all, but it is a certain cure for coughs, colds and all bronchial troubles. You can get Dr. G. G. Green's reliable remedies at H. C. Wells' drug store. Get Green's special almanac.

Why Suffer With Your Kidneys?

The discovery of Dr. Geo. Leininger's For-mal-de-hyde Kidney Tablets has proved a blessing to thousands of kidney sufferers who have been restored to perfect health. These tablets drive the kidney disease germs out of the blood and prevent accumulation of uric acid in the system. We urge all sufferers to give this successful and scientific kidney remedy a trial. They come in two sizes, 25 and 50 cents. Come and get a trial treatment free at J. W. Voorhees.

His One Daily Meal.

Dr. George Fordyce, the celebrated anatomist and lecturer on chemistry, used to eat one meal a day and one meal only, but it was a mighty one, washed down with liberal drafts of wine and beer. At 4 o'clock every day he used to enter a certain chophouse and take his seat at a table always reserved for him. A silver tankard containing a quart of strong ale, a full bottle of port and a quarter of a pint of brandy were placed before him immediately.

The moment the waiter announced the doctor's arrival the cook put a pound and a half of rump steak on the fire, and to while away the time until the steak should be properly broiled the waiter brought the doctor some tempting morsel like a broiled chicken or a plate of fish. When he had eaten this, Dr. Fordyce drank half of his brandy and then began on his steak. While eating the steak he drank the tankard of ale and after that the rest of the brandy. The waiter then uncorked the bottle of port, and the doctor proceeded slowly to enjoy it until it was all gone. He spent an hour and a half daily at his one meal and after it returned home to give his lectures on chemistry, which are still quoted as classics of that science. He ate nothing else until the next day, when he returned at the same hour to the same chophouse for the same sort of a meal. Dr. Fordyce lived to be sixty-six years old and kept up his one meal custom to the last.

Borrowing Habits of Poets.

On Tennyson's habit of failing to recognize clearly his own borrowings from the classical poets, Mr. Lang observes that the poets have always had a kind of regal indifference to their own lighter productions. Mr. Lang says: "Scott did not care; no, not when he found that he had unwittingly taken a line from a poem by the valet of a friend. In the preface to a little collection of verses from the novels he frankly declares that he cannot pretend to be certain which are of his own composition and which are not.

"To take an example from the level at the foot of Parnassus, I once read, in an American paper, some lines attributed to 'Mr. Austin Dobson. 'Not bad for Dobson,' I said freely to a friend. But it was proved on me that the rhymes were my own! A bard who forgets his own verses may be pardoned for remembering those of other people and mistaking a half line of somebody else's for his own. I dare say that Tennyson did this occasionally, but he could hardly say that 'the sun sets' without being accused of unconscious borrowing."

Greek and Roman Stoves.

Warm as Greece and Rome and Egypt are, stoves were made there in the dim and misty vistas of the past. It was not just the pattern used at present, but was a metal basin in which charcoal was burned. It sat in the middle of the room, and as the resulting smoke was of the slightest no opening in the roof or elsewhere was necessary. The same implement, still called by its old Greek name of brazier, is now employed in many portions of continental Europe, where it is utilized for heating as well as cooking.

But the progressive Romans improved on that and made a hypocaust. It was the germ of the present furnace. It was made under the house in a little cellar prepared for it, and the heat was conducted to the rooms and baths through crevices left in the floor and lower portions of the wall. Later flues were provided, conducting heat to any portion of the house. In some of the old Roman villas in England the remains of these old time furnaces are still found.

Why the Joke Fell Flat.

A big, good natured farmer was awaiting the suburban train, accompanied by a handsome Gordon setter. Two sons of Britain stood near him. The dog strayed away from his owner, who was reading a newspaper.

"Hey!" called the farmer. "Come here, Locksmith," and the dog immediately ran to his feet.

One of the Englishmen approached the farmer.

"May I ask," he said, "what you called that dog?"

"Locksmith," said the farmer.

"And why, pray?"

"Because every time I kick him he makes a bolt for the door."

There was a general laugh, in which the Englishman joined.

When he returned to his companion, he remarked:

"Most extraordinary name that man over there calls his dog."

"What?" asked his friend.

"Locksmith," replied the first Briton. "And why such a name?"

"Because, he says, every time he kicks 'im he bolts for the door."—St. Louis Republic.

The Weight of Ice.

The iceman and the coalman are often suspected of giving short weights—maybe oftener suspected than guilty; maybe oftener guilty than suspected. The means of testing the weight of from ten to thirty pounds of ice are not always at hand in the house, but a close estimate of the weight can be reached by multiplying together the length, breadth and thickness of the block in inches and dividing the product by thirty. This will give very closely the weight in pounds. Thus, if a block of ice is 10 by 10 by 9, the product is 900, and this divided by thirty gives thirty pounds as the correct weight. A block 10 by 10 by 6 weighs twenty pounds. This simple method can be easily applied, and it may serve to remove unjust suspicion or to detect short weights.

French Railways.

Railways in France are forbidden to carry persons visibly or notoriously affected by contagious diseases in compartments that are used by the public. In the second place, the daily cleaning and the periodical disinfection of all cars are required. Linens of sleeping cars must bear a ticket indicating to the passenger the date of the last cleaning, and they must be properly washed and afterward subjected to a high temperature. Dry sweeping and dusting, which only serve to scatter disease germs, are prohibited, it being required that all floors, seats and woodwork be wiped with cloths moistened with some antiseptic solution.

Among the tens of thousands who have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for colds and la grippe during the past few years, to our knowledge, not a single case has resulted in pneumonia. Thos. Whitfield & Co., 88 Wabash avenue, Chicago, one of the most prominent retail druggists in that city, in speaking of this, says: "We recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for la grippe in many cases, as it not only gives prompt and complete recovery, but also counteracts any tendency of la grippe to result in pneumonia." For sale by H. C. Wells, druggist.

A Cold To-Day Means Consumption To-Morrow.

Consumption is more often caused by a neglected cold than any other way. It is poor judgment to buy a "consumption" cough syrup when it is so easy to get Dr. Geo. Leininger's For mal de hyde Cough Cure the best cough remedy in the world for all serious and stubborn coughs and colds. It never fails. Sold at 25 cents on a guarantee by J. W. Voorhees.

Call at H. C. Wells' drug store and get a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are an elegant physic. They also improve the appetite, strengthen the digestion and regulate the liver and bowels. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect.

Subscribe for the MINER.

THE STRANGER AND THE PRINCESS

BY SEWARD W. HOPKINS.

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queried Volnir, watching from a window. "I would have lived a weaker force. There are four men—no—"

But Adria rode on till the bridle of her mare was taken in hand by one of the guards at the gate.

"Sorry, Miss Adria," he said. "It is against our orders. His highness Prince Caspartin has instructed us to allow no one to leave the farm."

"Not even to ride to see Caspartin himself?" asked Adria.

"Oh, ah—that is something different, I suppose that could be done. But an escort must go with you."

"I agree to that, certainly," said Adria. "Two or three of you should be able to protect the country from receiving harm at my hands."

He laughed—an abashed, shamed sort of laugh, and said:

"I trust you will pardon us. We are but obeying orders. I will accompany you to the castle. You will not be annoyed."

"I thank you," said Adria.

The man mounted his own horse, which was tethered near, and the two set off.

"In a few hours we should meet the prince on the road to Ontro," said the talkative bailiff. "He rides with full company to meet his brother, our generous Prince of Deroslia, who comes by way of Ontro from Berlin. Word has been received that the train in which our prince and his family ride will reach Ontro late today."

"Late today?" answered Adria, as though it was a small matter. "It is late already."

"Yes. In a few hours perhaps two or three—the prince will be at Ontro."

They rode on for about a half mile to a spot where the road ran through a gilt of woods and where some of Caspartin's men were stationed.

No one was to be seen. The roads were deserted, all of the peasantry being engaged in getting ready to ride with Caspartin to meet the prince.

Suddenly Adria's mare came to a standstill, while the accompanying bailiff was looking another way.

Adria slid to the ground.

"My mare limped," she said. "I think she has picked up a stone. This is a bad road for horses."

The man, to be chivalrous, dismounted and stepped to her side.

"Let me see," he said, stooping to lift the mare's hoof.

In an instant his own horse received a cut with a whip that sent it off at a racing pace. He roared out an oath, forgetting the young lady's presence, and ran a short distance after his flying steed.

The sound of hoofs brought him to a halt, and he saw with dismay the daughter of the farmer, on her black mare, flying in the other direction toward Ontro.

"Well, I'm done!" he growled, half inclined to curse and yet feeling amused at the manner in which the clever girl had outwitted him. "Well, the girl is out for a lark. Who will be the worse for it? Not Caspartin, for she owes him nothing. I will keep my own counsel on this matter and not be a laughing stock to my companions. But I must get my horse."

His horse had slackened pace, and in 15 minutes he had recovered the animal.

But in that 15 minutes where was Adria? The black mare had thundered down the road to a bridge over the ravine. This she crossed, struck into the road to Ontro and went like the wind to meet and save her prince and one who was more than her princely lover.

No one staid her. But still the mare sped on. It was, so Adria thought, a race against time. At any moment the train bearing the prince and his family might enter Ontro, and who knew what misfortunes were lying in wait for them there?

She reached Ontro without mishap. The ruins of Roland's inn caused her but a moment's thought, but she smiled once as she thought of how that brave American made his escape from the murderous precincts.

At the railroad station she learned that the train was even then due.

In the now deserted stable of Roland's inn she hid her horse and waited.

The train came thundering into the station. Even as it came the trumpets of Caspartin's cavalcade could be heard in the distance.

The first person to step from the train was Rosso Duvally. The first person Duvally saw was Adria Volner.

"Adria!" he cried. "Are you the first to greet the prince?"

"Listen! We have no time for compliments. The life of the prince is in

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danger! Hear the horns of the traitor Caspartin coming to host the brother he would slay!"

"What's this? Come here!"

Duvally led her before the prince, where she told the entire story in as few words as would make the case clear.

"It is the Paris plot manifested to our soil, your highness," said Duvally.

"But Caspartin! My brother! How can I believe he would do this thing?" murmured the good natured prince.

"It seems incredible," added Princess Margaret.

"We must do nothing rash at least," said Princess Marie. "Some other must not be made out a murderer in the world of an unknown American."

"Leave it to me, your highnesses," said Duvally. "I know not this American, but if there is right in the story I, Rosso Duvally, will find it out."

So the prince and his family met the smiling Caspartin as though nothing had happened, and Volnir remained concealed in the car.

In Caspartin's train was a rich equipage for the two princesses and a gaily caparisoned horse for his brother. The tenants of Caspartin greeted their ruler with shouts of joy. They at least were loyal. It was hard to doubt their master.

"Unfortunately" said Duvally in a voice well understood by its pastor "his highness has nipped of his cold legs and will not be able to please the country people by appearing on horseback. He must ride, therefore, with the ladies in their carriage. Your Prince Caspartin, must then dispatch the procession from Ontro to your castle, where his highness intends to remain for a day or two. And as it would be unseemly for me, of poor estate, to ride a horse more richly caparisoned than yours, I will take the steed you now ride, and you take the one intended for your prince."

"You are both Caspartin," said the prince, going to the carriage with an air of haste. "I was unfortunate enough to break my leg while riding one of the emperor's wild beasts. Take the horse. You are generously provided for me and let Count Duvally take your own."

For a moment a polite correspondence of Caspartin, but he sullied and in a calm voice said:

"No, sire, my brother will not ride the horse. It has been led at the side of the carriage. There are no less enough for the journey."

A gleam of intelligence passed from the eyes of Duvally to those of his prince.

"Ride the horse, Caspartin," said the prince, with a laugh, yet with a voice of influence. "Let the sad occasion of our journey into a funeral march. When you carry me to the tomb, walk my horse at the hearse. But I'll have none of it here."

There was a slight hesitation in Caspartin's manner, then, with a smile, he mounted the gayly harnessed horse.

The procession was off from Ontro, with Caspartin leading.

"If carried be true, Duvally," said the prince in a whisper.

"It is true," said Duvally. "I will bring your intended assassins before you today."

After a mile or two had been traveled, the populace gathering from afar to witness the return of their beloved prince, Caspartin was seen by the watchful Duvally to scribble something steadily on a paper and turn to one of his faithful retainers at his side.

"Ride on ahead," was what Caspartin whispered. "You will find at the edge of the Green forest, a short distance before you reach the castle, three men who are waiting to give the prince a welcome. Ask for Vandal and give him this."

The courier rode off.

"I have sent ahead to give orders to have the lights at the castle ready," said Caspartin to his brother.

Duvally had fallen to the rear, where his own faithful fellows were riding.

He selected four of them.

"Leave the road for a short distance," he said, "and get to the front. Follow that courier of Caspartin's. He will speak to some one between here and Caspartin's castle and will deliver a note. Arrest him, the person he accosts, and save the note. Obey this with your best skill, for the lives of all in that carriage are in danger."

Duvally was at the side of the carriage again as if nothing had happened or was expected to happen. And that evening the procession reached Caspartin's estate without incident.

Adria had ridden home on the black mare in the rear of the royal procession.

"It is done," she said to her anxious parents. "I told the prince and Rosso is in command."

That night Caspartin gave a feast. The great dining hall of the castle was ablaze with light and rang with the voices of good cheer. The prince sat at the end of a table, with Caspartin near him.

Duvally, whose eye was everywhere at once, stood near his royal master.

A messenger came to him. He heard what was to be said and then whispered to the prince. A nod was his reply.

Duvally gave two commands. In response to these a door opened, and a squad entered. At the same moment two soldiers with drawn swords stepped to the side of Caspartin.

"Traitor!" was the word breathed by Duvally as he looked down on the white faced Caspartin.

Four men were brought in. One was Caspartin's messenger. The other three, in front, were Vandal, Robertand Rohello.

Duvally handed a note to the prince. It read as follows:

"Be careful. It is not the prince, but myself, who is riding the gay horse. The prince rides in the carriage with the princesses."

A stern look passed from the prince to his brother.

"Caspartin," he said, "you have chosen." Then turning to his faithful officer, he said:

"Duvally, the prisoners are yours."

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Her References.

Mrs. Hiram—And have you any references?

Applicant—No, mum; ol' boss died up.

Mrs. Hiram (in surprise)—Tore them up? How foolish!

Applicant—Yez couldn't think so, mum, if yez had seen 'em. From "Recollections of Mrs. Mamie E. Lee."

An Indian Belief.

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A Wee Drop.

Sandy—And will ye take a drap o' whisky afore ye gang hame, Tammas?

Tammas—Ah, weel, just a wee drappie.

Sandy—Then say when, laddie.

Tammas—Nay, mon; the glass will say when.—London Kite.

A Thoroughbred.

She—Is it true that when you proposed to me you didn't know whether I was worth a penny?

He—Absolutely. But I always was willing to take chances.—Detroit Free Press.

Candid.

Miss Alma—When did you become acquainted with your wife, doctor?

Doctor—After the wedding.—Hotere Welt.

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Buffalo Express, daily except Sunday 9:16 a. m.
*Buffalo Mail, daily except Sunday, 4:29 p. m.
*Train leaving Smethport 2:39 p. m. connects at Olean with Chautauqua Division for Allegany & Salamanca Ohio City and Pittsburg

For Clermont

Train 122, weekdays, 10:05 a. m.
Train 1 & 6, weekdays, 7:00 p. m.

For Larrabee, Port Allegany, Lumberport and points south:

Train 121, weekdays, 9:14 a. m.
Train 123, weekdays, 2:39 p. m.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD.

8:18 a. m.—Train 12, weekdays, for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:25 p. m., New York 9:30 p. m., Baltimore 6:30 p. m., Washington, 7:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia, and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

12:25 p. m.—Train 8, daily, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:32 p. m., New York 7:32 p. m., Baltimore 7:00 p. m., Washington 8:35 p. m. Vestibuled parlor cars and passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

3:23 p. m.—Train 6, daily, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:25 a. m., New York 6:30 a. m., Baltimore 6:30 a. m., Washington 6:55 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Kane and Williamsport to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in car undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

9:30 p. m.—Train 4, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 7:32 a. m., New York 9:55 a. m. week days (10:35 a. m. Sundays). Baltimore 7:15 a. m., Washington 8:30 a. m. Through sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington and passenger car from Erie to Philadelphia and Williamsport.

11:45 a. m.—Train 14, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:45 p. m., New York 10:30 p. m. week days (10:30 a. m. Sundays). Buffalo passenger coaches to Philadelphia and Washington.

WESTWARD.

1:05 a. m.—Train 9, daily, to Erie, Kinzua and week days for Dubois and intermediate stations.

10:30 a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and week days for Dubois and intermediate stations.

2:00 p. m.—Train 51, weekdays, for Kane and intermediate stations.

Weekdays. STATIONS.	Lv.	Ar.
9 45	Kingsway	
10 00	Johnsonburg	
10 15	Island Run	
10 20	Wright	
10 25	Blackmer	
10 33	Smith's Run	
10 35	Woodvale	
10 43	Clermont	

Connections are made with train 3, westward, at 10:30 a. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at 2:30 p. m., and at Kingsway with train 30, leaving Smethport 12:10 p. m. for Du Bois, Rockton, Pittsburg and intermediate points and train leaving Kingsway at 4:00 p. m. for Port Allegany and Warren.

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B. B. & K. RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Eastern Standard Time.

IN EFFECT NOV. 17, 1901.

SOUTHBOUND.

STATIONS	1	3	5	7	19
	A M	A M	P M	P M	P M
Bradford Leave	7 40	10 15	1 30	4 05	
Kinzua Junc	8 15	10 50	2 05	4 40	
Aiken	8 20	10 55	2 10	4 45	
Davis	8 25	11 00	2 15	4 50	
Simpson	8 31	11 06	2 21	4 56	
Ormsby	8 40	11 15	2 30	5 05	
Smethport Ar.	9 05	11 45	2 55	5 30	
Lv.	P M	10 10	1 35	4 00	6 30
Mt. Jewett	9 10	11 45	2 00	4 35	6 35
Kane Ar.	9 45	12 20	3 35	6 10	
Lv.	9 45		4 30		
Nansen	10 18		5 07		
Sheffield Junc.	10 38		5 30		
Marienville	11 30		6 15		
Tylersburg	12 00		6 50		
Lucinda	12 15		11		
West Clarion	12 40		7 35		6 00
Clarion Junc	12 45		7 39		6 04
Shippenville	1 00		7 52		6 19
Knox	1 18		8 10		6 32
St. Petersburg	1 57		8 54		7 16
Foxburg	2 10		9 08		7 30
Parker	2 25				7 50